

## **Formation of Iranian studies at the Kazan university (19th-early 20th centuries)**

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### **Abstract**

© the author(s). The article involves the historical and scientific study of the Iranian Cultural Heritage in Russia in the 19th century. It presents the background of the Persian language and literature teaching at Russian universities. Initiators and the ways the Iranian Studies developed at the Kazan University are mentioned. The historical events dealing with political and cultural relations of the peoples of the Volga-Ural region and Iran are summarized. It focuses on a variety of materials, covering the events, the heritage of Orientalists and Iranian scholars and results in the formation of Iranian Studies at the Kazan University in the 19th century. This research will provide valuable information regarding scientific and educational activities of Orientalists of the University, associated with teaching the Persian language, linguistic, literary, historical, ethnographic studies of the history and culture of Iran.

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